

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re application of

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Eiichi ISHII et al.

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Group Art Unit 1742

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Examiner Harry Wilkins, III

METHOD OF SURFACE

TREATMENT OF TITANIUM METAL

Mail Stop AF

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

RESPONSE UNDER 37. CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1742